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AUSTRALIA.TABLE A.I.ESTIMATED NUMBER OF WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.(Including Part-time Relief Workers in actual employment or number equivalent thereto).(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 9)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland (a)	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Six States (b)
<u>Average for for year -</u>							
1936-37	787,492	577,272	234,500	175,205	154,109	52,941	1,981,519
1937-38	838,583	601,436	245,800	184,839	157,643	57,092	2,085,393
1938-39	846,489	612,085	257,700	186,853	160,297	62,484	2,125,908
1939-40	858,013	630,643	264,500	188,467	157,074	65,507	2,164,204
<u>1939-40 - Month -</u>							
July ..	842,937	598,862	262,800	187,156	158,063	60,910	2,110,728
August ..	841,242	598,932	268,300	187,002	156,811	61,540	2,113,827
September	847,235	602,468	269,400	185,891	155,507	61,728	2,122,229
October..	858,319	621,785	271,300	185,948	157,066	62,695	2,157,113
November	863,986	633,913	271,700	186,373	158,598	63,935	2,178,505
December	882,291	641,682	270,000	194,191	161,496	66,338	2,215,998
January..	858,475	638,697	268,100	187,614	158,546	68,548	2,179,980
February	866,057	642,571	263,400	188,426	157,168	67,950	2,185,572
March ..	872,824	644,930	258,200	189,596	157,756	70,102	2,193,408
April ..	857,971	651,436	254,700	191,095	155,536	68,432	2,179,170
May ..	842,975	646,061	254,900	190,454	154,677	68,457	2,157,524
June ..	861,836	646,122	260,400	189,424	153,808	65,450	2,177,040
<u>1940-41 - Month -</u>							
July ..	869,705	637,046	264,600	187,101	153,328	64,199	2,175,979
August ..	876,272	633,892	268,100	188,953	153,123	64,259	2,184,599
September	880,358	640,509	270,300	192,298	152,982	65,822	2,202,269
October..(c)	886,771	647,842	271,500	194,593	152,175	65,879	2,218,760
November							
December							

(a) Monthly figures are the average for the three months ended in the month indicated.

(b) Estimates for Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia are preliminary.

(c) Subject to revision.

**TABLE A.II.**  
**INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES (a).-**  
**(Base: 1928-29 = 100)**  
**(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 9).**

Period	New South Wales	Vic-toria	Queens-land	South Aus-tralia	Western Aus-tralia	Tas-mania	Australian Index	
							Unad-justed	Divided by Index of Em-ployee Population
Number of Employees in -								
1928-29..	174,120	149,266	43,436	35,376	19,799	9,984	431,981	-
Index for -								
1928-29..	100	100	100	100	100	100	100.0	100.0
1938-39..	127	130	119	119	112	132	125.9	111.6
1939-40..	129	132	121	121	108	138	127.9	112.1
1939 -								
May ..	127	131	119	118	112	134	126.5	111.7
June ..	127	129	120	115	110	132	125.3	110.5
July ..	124	122	121	116	107	120	121.6	107.1
August ..	124	123	122	119	107	119	122.3	107.7
September	126	125	124	115	105	125	123.3	108.5
October..	129	130	127	117	108	133	127.1	111.7
November	131	133	127	117	110	139	129.2	113.4
December	133	132	121	122	111	142	129.6	113.7
1940 -								
May ..	125	136	124	126	108	151	128.6	112.3
June ..	130	135	125	125	106	150	130.2	113.6
July ..	133	135	129	123	106	146	131.3	114.5
August ..	135	135	132	126	105	146	132.5	115.4
September	136	136	133	131	107	146	134.4	117.0
October..	138	139	130	133	107	145	136.1	118.3
November								
December								
Number of Factories in Sample	1,901	100	150	147	92	49	2,439	-
Percentage of Em-ployees in Sample in 1938-39	86	21	45	60	32	55	54	-

(a) Excluding Working Proprietors.

A comparison of factory employment in October, 1940 (th latest month for wh h figures are available for all States) with the previous month of September, shows th following estimated percentage changes:- New South Wales, +1.5; Victoria, +2.2; Qu nsland, -2.3; South Australia, +1.5; Western Australia, nil; Tasmania, -0.7; Australia, +1.3 (or, taking account of the growth of employee population, +1.1).

From July, 1939 the index numbers are based on the 1938-39 final figures and are subject to revision.

TABLE A.III.

**MALES EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES AS PERCENTAGE OF ALL PERSONS  
EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.**

Year	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens- land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia
1926-27	74.8	66.3	83.8	82.4	81.7	80.2	73.8
1927-28	74.8	66.2	83.2	82.0	81.2	77.6	73.6
1928-29	74.4	65.7	81.9	82.0	81.0	77.2	73.1
1929-30	74.1	65.1	81.9	81.7	80.3	78.2	72.7
1930-31	72.6	64.4	81.6	80.2	79.3	77.5	71.5
1931-32	70.7	62.1	80.8	78.6	77.6	76.6	69.5
1932-33	71.0	62.2	79.8	78.5	78.2	76.4	69.4
1933-34	71.5	63.2	79.7	79.8	78.9	77.9	70.2
1934-35	71.8	64.1	79.7	80.8	79.4	78.0	70.8
1935-36	72.2	65.3	80.0	81.2	80.1	78.6	71.5
1936-37	72.2	66.1	80.1	81.6	80.3	80.0	72.0
1937-38	72.4	66.6	80.6	81.9	80.2	80.3	72.3
1938-39	72.4	66.6	80.6	81.2	79.7	80.1	72.3
1939-40	n.a.	64.8	80.5	80.0	78.4	80.0	70.6
<b>1938 -</b>							
September	72.2	66.2	81.5	81.2	79.5	80.7	72.2
October..	72.1	66.4	80.8	81.2	79.6	81.0	72.1
November	72.0	66.5	80.6	81.1	79.8	81.3	72.1
December	72.0	67.0	80.5	81.5	79.7	81.3	72.3
<b>1939 -</b>							
January..	73.3	67.9	80.1	81.7	79.8	80.0	73.1
February	72.4	66.2	79.7	81.6	79.7	79.6	72.1
March ..	72.2	65.9	79.4	81.3	79.8	79.8	71.8
April ..	72.2	66.2	80.0	81.1	80.0	79.2	71.9
May ..	72.5	66.8	80.6	80.8	79.5	80.0	72.3
June ..	72.7	66.8	81.0	80.8	79.4	79.2	72.5
July (a)	n.a.	66.2	81.7	79.8	78.9	80.1	72.0
August ..	n.a.	65.9	81.2	81.2	78.9	80.2	72.0
September	n.a.	65.5	81.2	80.3	77.9	81.1	71.5
October..	n.a.	65.6	81.7	80.2	77.8	81.2	71.6
November	n.a.	64.9	80.6	79.6	78.3	80.8	70.9
December	n.a.	65.4	79.9	80.4	78.2	81.0	71.2
<b>1940 -</b>							
January..	n.a.	63.3	80.1	80.0	78.8	81.7	69.7
February	n.a.	64.3	79.3	79.2	79.1	81.1	70.2
March ..	n.a.	64.3	77.9	79.4	78.8	79.5	70.0
April ..	n.a.	63.9	79.9	79.0	78.6	79.3	69.9
May ..	n.a.	64.4	80.6	79.8	77.9	78.1	70.4
June ..	n.a.	64.1	81.4	79.8	78.2	76.1	70.4
July ..	n.a.	64.2	82.0	79.7	77.7	75.8	70.5
August ..	n.a.	64.2	81.8	79.7	77.9	75.8	70.6
September	n.a.	64.7	81.9	79.5	77.6	75.9	70.9
October..	n.a.	64.5	81.0	79.4	77.1	75.3	70.4
November							
December							

n.a. not available.

**Note:** This table has been revised to exclude working proprietors.

(a) From July, 1939 the State percentages are based on estimates computed from returns from "sample" factories, while the percentage for Australia is calculated on the assumption that the change in masculinity in the six States is equal to the change in the five States, other than New South Wales, for which sample masculinity figures are not available.

TABLE A.IV.  
MONTHLY INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.  
(Base: July, 1939 = 100).  
(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 9)

Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	
							Unadjusted Index	Index divided by Index of Employee Population
Index for -								
1938-39..	132	142	114	114	116	133	130.0	122.5
1939-40..	132	144	117	112	115	139	130.9	122.0
<u>1939 -</u>								
May ..	131	141	114	111	113	134	128.7	120.8
June ..	130	142	118	113	113	138	129.5	121.4
July ..	133	138	116	110	119	138	129.4	121.2
August ..	129	137	114	109	114	134	126.8	118.7
September	129	137	114	112	111	133	126.6	118.4
October..	130	141	114	109	111	135	128.1	119.7
November	133	147	117	111	113	139	131.6	122.9
December	148	165	131	127	125	154	147.8	137.9
<u>1940 -</u>								
May ..	130	145	116	111	114	145	130.6	121.3
June ..	130	149	116	111	114	138	131.1	121.6
July ..	131	142	116	110	116	138	129.6	120.1
August ..	130	140	114	111	112	137	128.3	118.8
September	129	142	113	111	113	137	128.4	118.8
October..	130	143	113	111	110	138	128.9	119.2
November								
December								
Number of establishments now furnishing returns	599	102	120	35	69	14	939	939

A comparison of employment in retail stores in October, 1940 (the latest month for which figures are available for all States) with October, 1939, shows the following estimated percentage changes:- New South Wales, nil; Victoria, +1.4; Queensland, -0.9; South Australia, +1.8; Western Australia, -0.9; Tasmania, +2.2; Australia, +0.6 (or, taking account of the growth of employee population, -0.4).



AUSTRALIA.  
TABLE A.V.

NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL  
AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES.  
(Excludes Part-time Relief Workers)

Month	Commonwealth Government			State Government			Semi-Government			Local Government	Total	Employees of Contractors on Construction Work
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons
1938 - June	47,373	10,829	58,202	219,723	38,802	258,525	16,202	1,185	17,387	60,273	394,387	9,934
1939 - June	52,730	11,842	64,572	225,053	39,801	264,854	18,708	1,230	19,938	63,494	412,858	11,713
	Persons			Persons			Persons					
1938-39	60,848			259,482			18,262			60,910	399,502	10,389
1939-40	70,846			264,456			18,621			57,760	411,683	9,524(a)
<u>1939 -</u>												
May ..		64,072			265,700			19,629		63,196	412,597	10,950
June ..		64,572			264,854			19,938		63,494	412,858	11,428
July ..		64,481			264,039			19,891		61,746	410,157	10,303
August ..		64,675			262,487			20,076		61,004	408,242	10,166
September		65,832			262,276			19,290		60,449	407,847	9,712
October..		68,275			262,136			18,909		58,465	407,785	9,566
November		69,558			264,156			18,790		56,976	409,480	10,057
December		71,114			263,734			18,473		57,891	411,212	10,152
<u>1940 -</u>												
May ..		76,203			266,064			18,218		57,266	417,751	12,002
June ..		77,900			265,864			18,429		56,655	418,848	12,196
July ..		79,689			261,210(c)			18,560		54,360	413,819	12,030
August ..		81,004			261,227(c)			18,341		53,004	413,576	11,506
September		81,855			260,081(c)			18,900		51,581	412,417	11,841
October..(b)		82,767			260,649(c)			19,005		51,365	413,786	11,382
November												
December												

(a) Excluding Western Australia. (b) Subject to revision. (c) See special footnote to Table V.II for further details of the fall in State Government employment from June to October.

**TABLE A.VIII.**  
**UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.**  
**UNEMPLOYMENT - AUSTRALIA - NUMBER AND MEMBERSHIP OF REPORTING UNIONS AND BRANCHES,**  
**AND NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE UNEMPLOYED (a).**  
(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 9)

Quarter	New South Wales	Vic- toria	Queens- land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tas- mania	Australia			
							Number of Unions	Membership (b)	Number Unemployed	Percent- age
<u>1932 -</u>	%	%	%	%	%	%				%
June (c)	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
<u>1938 -</u>										
March ..	9.6	7.3	6.6	6.9	4.8	5.7	386	462,918	37,111	8.0
June ..	9.8	8.5	7.2	7.5	5.3	7.2	386	464,208	39,824	8.6
September	10.0	9.7	6.3	10.0	6.1	8.5	394	468,634	43,092	9.2
December	10.1	9.0	5.7	8.8	6.5	10.2	395	471,581	42,077	8.9
<u>1939 -</u>										
March ..	10.6	10.8	6.1	9.3	7.3	7.6	395	474,277	45,545	9.6
June ..	10.6	10.4	5.7	9.5	6.2	9.4	398	477,149	45,183	9.5
September	11.6	11.2	5.8	9.4	8.2	8.3	397	478,000	48,888	10.2
December	11.1	9.0	5.8	9.1	6.6	7.1	392	478,245	44,253	9.3
<u>1940 -</u>										
March ..	9.7	6.5	5.8	8.5	6.9	4.8	394	483,806	38,307	7.9
June ..	15.9	6.6	6.8	8.3	5.6	5.0	388	475,815	49,775	10.5
September	9.8	5.9	4.9	6.6	6.0	4.6	397	496,872	36,892	7.4
December										

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts. (b) Represents approximately 54 per cent. of the total membership of Trade Unions. (c) Peak of Unemployment.



TABLE A.IX.  
UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.  
UNEMPLOYMENT (a) - AUSTRALIA - PERCENTAGES IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS.

Industrial Group	1932 June Quarter (b)	Year 1938	Year 1939	1939				1940			
				March Quarter	June Quarter	September Quarter	December Quarter	March Quarter	June Quarter	September Quarter	December Quarter
<u>Manufacturing -</u>	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
I. Wood, furniture, etc. ..	39.6	9.9	15.9	15.7	16.4	18.1	13.4	6.7	6.3	4.9	
II. Engineering, metal works, etc. ..	33.9	4.6	7.7	7.5	7.9	8.6	6.8	5.5	12.9	4.4	
III. Food, drink, tobacco, etc. ..	19.3	17.0	17.3	16.0	18.3	18.4	16.6	14.5	18.6	17.5	
IV. Clothing, hats, boots, etc. ..	22.6	12.4	12.4	14.0	12.6	13.3	9.6	6.5	12.1	7.1	
V. Books, printing, etc. ..	16.8	3.7	4.1	3.8	4.1	5.1	3.6	4.7	4.6	5.1	
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	43.0	10.1	11.5	9.8	9.2	9.9	9.3	7.9	6.6	7.5	
VII. Building ..	42.1	7.9	8.8	8.8	8.0	9.3	9.2	10.4	8.8	6.8	
VIII. Mining, quarrying, etc. ..	34.2	12.5	12.8	11.9	11.5	12.6	15.4	8.6	10.6	9.4	
X. Land transport other than railway and tramway services ..	29.6	9.2	7.9	7.7	7.5	8.7	7.7	7.3	6.8	6.9	
IX., XI., XII., XIII. and XIV(c). Other and Miscellaneous ..	22.2	6.7	7.3	7.3	6.9	7.4	7.7	7.5	9.6	7.3	
<u>ALL GROUPS:</u>	30.0	8.7	9.8	9.6	9.5	10.2	9.3	7.9	10.5	7.4	

(a) Excluding persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

(c) Shipping, etc.: Domestic, Hotels, etc., and miscellaneous.

AUSTRALIA  
TABLE A.X.

REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED AT STATE LABOUR EXCHANGES (a).

Month	New South Wales (b)	Victoria (c)	Queensland (d)	South Australia (e)	Western Australia		Tasmania (h)	Total Australia
					Labour Exchange (f)	Department of Employment (g)		
1939-40	48,915	14,773	27,582	6,919	1,096	4,398	1,231	104,914
<u>1939 -</u>								
July ..	52,107	21,139	23,037	8,656	1,379	4,504	2,315	113,137
August ..	52,851	21,938	22,406	8,859	1,552	4,618	2,369	114,593
September	52,307	20,703	23,224	8,824	1,331	4,267	2,048	112,704
October..	51,326	17,768	24,109	7,857	1,278	4,377	1,603	108,318
November	47,555	14,946	25,664	6,915	1,030	4,202	1,279	101,591
December	45,461	13,742	31,023	5,619	748	4,642	1,019	102,254
<u>1940 -</u>								
January..	47,412	12,739	35,801	6,574	1,238	4,390	683	108,837
February	46,415	11,577	34,864	5,946	1,001	4,414	689	104,906
March ..	45,681	11,109	32,735	5,494	991	4,482	687	101,179
April ..	50,813	11,467	29,451	6,060	1,000	4,317	706	103,814
May ..	50,851	10,476	25,927	6,246	892	4,309	715	99,416
June ..	44,201	9,671	22,742	5,978	718	4,250	656	88,216
July ..	38,876	9,217	20,603	6,521	839	4,066	737	80,859
August ..	35,681	8,562	19,057	6,797	660	3,811	718	75,286
September	34,273	8,063	18,178	5,028	724	3,519	570	70,355
October..	30,792	6,918	18,126	4,360	724	3,074	325	64,319
November								
December								

- (a) The figures in this table should not be used to compare total unemployment as between one State and another. There is reason to believe that the proportion of registered to total unemployed differs considerably from State to State. The proportion of the total unemployed who register is known to be much higher in Queensland than in other States, since re-registration is a condition precedent to the claiming of benefit under the Queensland Unemployment Insurance Scheme which covers all employment to which State awards apply, certain employment not covered by State awards, and certain employment covered by Commonwealth awards.
- (b) Adult Males. Includes those engaged on part-time Relief Work. (c) Males. Includes those working for Sustenance.
- (d) Persons. (e) Males. Includes those engaged on part-time Relief Work. (f) Adult Males, Females, and a certain proportion of the State's registered unemployed youth. Re-registrations and new registrations during the month. These figures relate to persons registered for placement in private employment only. (g) Males. These figures relate to rationed and part-time relief workers engaged through the Department of Employment and unemployed men in receipt of sustenance. (h) Persons. Excludes rural registrations for October.

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TABLE N.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT  
(Including Full-time Equivalent of Part time Relief Workers)  
(See "Supplementary Notes". Issue No. 9.)

Date	Governmental (State and Commonwealth) (a)	Local Government (b)	Factories (except Working Proprietors)		Mines (c)		Rural (Permanent Paid Employees)
			Government	Other	Coal (d)	Other	
<u>1933 - 30th June</u>	104,235	14,953	15,500	117,844	17,160		29,779
<u>Average for year -</u>							
1938-39 ..	129,633	25,117	16,206	204,992	15,800	7,505	41,522
1939-40 ..	133,104	23,179	17,736	207,862	16,635	6,848	41,500(e)
<u>1939-40 - Month -</u>							
August ..	131,400	24,127	17,399	199,700	16,935	7,098	41,500(e)
October ..	130,200	23,352	17,718	207,280	16,747	6,983	
November ..	131,300	22,910	17,764	211,336	16,319	7,032	
December ..	132,000	23,714	17,697	215,100	16,768	7,057	
January ..	132,400	22,769	16,856	211,440	16,406	6,744	
February ..	133,800	22,765	17,348	212,350	16,472	6,965	
March ..	134,500	22,687	17,962	215,707	16,462	6,975	
April ..	135,000	22,508	18,011	211,692	16,468	6,641	
May ..	135,700	22,658	18,384	199,700	16,468	6,384	
June ..	137,450	22,609	18,828	208,104	16,919	6,652	
<u>1940-41 - Month -</u>							
July ..	138,050	22,522	19,184	213,116	17,124	6,438	41,500(e)
August ..	139,000	22,006	19,917	216,379	17,024	6,440	
September ..	138,150	21,359	20,270	218,330	17,127	6,444	
October ..	139,280	21,492	20,548	221,452	17,221	6,476	
November ..							
December ..							

- (a) Governmental: Commonwealth and State Governments, governmental and semi-governmental bodies. An adjustment has been made in these figures to allow for cleaners and others normally employed for less than a full working day. Includes Government factories (see also Footnote 1).
- (b) Local Government: Number recorded in wages tax returns of large councils plus 20 per cent. estimate for small councils.
- (c) Mining: Includes a small number of employees, other than mining, engaged in connection with some of the larger mines. Coal miners out of work through major industrial disputes are included; and employees in the State coal mine (about 400) are duplicated - here and with "Governmental".
- (d) About 890 coal miners on strike during February and approximately 14,000 during March, April and May are included in total.
- (e) Subject to revision. Rural Employment not ascertainable monthly. This approximate figure is inserted to enable a total to be provided.

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**TABLE N.I.**

(Continued)

Date	Retail Shops (including Restaurants) (f)	Wholesale Trade (g)	Number employed by employers with ten or more taxable employees in-				Total of foregoing (i)	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment	Relief Workers		Grand Total including Full-time Equivalent of Relief Workers
			Offices and Commerce	Transport (Sea and Land)	Building and Construction (h)	Amusements				Total	Full-time Equivalent	
1933-30th June	61,000	20,000	21,334	14,237	2,706	4,902	408,150	186,123	594,273	34,144	8,048	602,321
Average for year-												
1938-39..	82,450	28,159	27,186	20,847	9,691	5,937	598,839	238,294	837,133	19,779	9,356	846,489
1939-40..	82,782	28,388	28,518	21,354	8,788	5,933	604,962	245,785	850,747	15,328	7,266	858,013
1939-40-Month-												
August ..	80,570	27,962	27,060	20,695	8,892	5,886	591,825	239,981	831,806	20,183	9,436	841,242
October..	81,200	28,519	28,349	21,624	9,978	5,879	601,611	248,438	850,049	17,545	8,270	858,319
November	83,070	28,820	29,088	21,154	9,182	5,906	607,617	249,244	856,861	14,949	7,125	863,986
December	92,440	29,115	29,438	20,913	9,110	5,820	622,975	252,491	875,466	14,212	6,825	882,291
January..	82,450	28,175	29,158	20,929	8,446	5,688	606,105	245,250	851,355	14,800	7,120	858,475
February	84,350	28,241	29,553	21,308	8,537	5,778	611,613	247,790	859,403	13,953	6,654	866,057
March ..	81,950	28,559	29,276	22,243	8,352	6,431	615,507	251,049	866,556	13,135	6,268	872,824
April ..	80,918	28,520	29,030	21,400	8,258	5,947	607,882	244,249	852,131	12,304	5,840	857,971
May ..	81,537	28,305	28,028	21,188	8,535	5,958	595,961	241,159	837,120	12,288	5,855	842,975
June ..	81,259	28,458	28,714	22,358	8,294	6,435	608,752	247,694	856,446	11,302	5,390	861,836
1940-41-Month-												
July ..	82,030	28,480	28,100	21,572	9,194	5,946	614,072	251,040	865,112	9,611	4,593	869,705
August ..	81,426	28,516	29,100	21,430	9,146	5,811	617,778	254,248	872,026	8,863	4,246	876,272
September	80,881	28,460	29,246	21,857	9,034	5,888	618,276	257,450	875,726	9,658	4,632	880,358
October..	81,224	28,413	30,051	21,265	8,177	6,424	622,975	259,186	882,161	9,608	4,610	886,771
November												
December												

(f) **Retail:** Annual recorded total adjusted on basis of wages tax figures to approximate parity with totals derived from shop registrations. Includes all employees - not merely shop assistants.

(g) **Wholesale:** Figures for 1933 to 1935-36 are approximations; later figures are those recorded in wages tax returns plus 10 per cent. allowance for small wholesale houses. Includes all employees of employers whose business is principally in wholesale trade:

(h) These figures represent only a small proportion, probably 20 per cent. to 25 per cent. of total building employment.

(i) Avoiding duplication of Government factories.

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TABLE N.11.

TOTAL MID-MONTHLY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT OF WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 9)

Month	Number Available for Employment	Total Private Employment	Local Government Employees	Government Employees	Total Government and Private Employment	Relief Workers		Grand Total including Full-Time Equivalent of Relief Workers
						Total	Full-time Equivalent	
1938-39	891,334	682,380	25,120	129,633	837,133	19,779	9,356	846,489
1939-40	(a)	694,380	23,262	133,104	850,746	15,328	7,266	858,012
<u>1939 -</u>								
May ..	896,445	679,067	24,815	132,300	836,182	20,205	9,438	845,620
June ..	898,029	674,461	24,694	132,400	831,555	20,229	9,527	841,082
July ..	898,534	677,117	24,214	132,000	833,331	20,456	9,606	842,937
August ..	899,839	676,279	24,127	131,400	831,806	20,183	9,436	841,242
September	901,694	683,104	23,831	131,500	838,435	18,803	8,800	847,235
October..	903,749	696,497	23,352	130,200	850,049	17,545	8,270	858,319
November	905,514	702,651	22,910	131,300	856,861	14,949	7,125	863,986
December	908,030	719,752	23,714	132,000	875,466	14,212	6,825	882,291
<u>1940 -</u>								
May ..	(a)	678,762	22,658	135,700	837,120	12,288	5,855	842,975
June ..	(a)	696,387	22,609	137,450	856,446	11,302	5,390	861,836
July ..	(a)	704,540	22,522	138,050	865,112	9,611	4,593	869,705
August ..	(a)	714,688	22,006	139,000	872,026	8,863	4,246	876,272
September	(a)	719,777	21,359	138,150	875,726	9,658	4,632	880,358
October..	(a)	724,971	21,492	139,280	882,161	9,608	4,610	886,771
November								
December								

(a) Number available for employment: Owing to the incidence of enlistments and the replacement of male labour by females not previously engaged in gainful employment, it is not possible, for the present, to estimate the number available for employment. For January, February, March and April of this year the estimates were as follows:- 909,344; 910,658; 911,972; 912,886.

Note: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".

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TABLE N.III.

MID-MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE EMPLOYERS WITH TEN OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES.

(The number of Employees here shown includes both taxable and non-taxable).

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 9)

Month	Number employed by employers with ten or more taxable employees in -												Total number of persons privately employed (All employers)
	Mines and Quarries		Retail Trade	Wholesale Trade	Offices and Commerce	Total Transport	Factories and Work-shops	Building and Construction	Rural Industries	Amusements	Miscellaneous	Total of Fore-going	
	Coal	Other											
1938-39	15,859	7,505	52,360	25,599	27,186	20,846	187,656	9,691	9,577	5,937	22,267	384,483	682,380
1939-40	16,635	6,848	52,614	25,807	28,518	21,354	192,588	8,784	9,400	5,933	22,907	391,388	694,380
1939 -													
May ..	16,359	7,260	51,951	25,701	27,323	21,664	185,790	9,476	8,900	6,139	22,287	382,850	679,067
June ..	16,333	6,901	51,667	25,212	27,277	20,184	185,808	9,420	8,998	6,156	22,499	380,455	674,461
July ..	16,667	6,845	52,833	25,356	26,872	20,695	185,592	9,079	9,582	5,762	22,406	381,689	677,117
August ..	16,935	7,098	51,253	25,420	27,060	20,695	185,731	8,892	10,068	5,886	22,301	381,339	676,279
September	16,988	6,799	51,176	25,539	27,653	21,738	187,929	8,790	10,758	5,708	22,621	385,699	683,104
October..	16,747	6,983	51,615	25,926	28,349	21,624	192,255	9,978	10,655	5,879	22,546	392,557	696,497
November	16,319	7,032	52,658	26,200	29,088	21,154	195,617	9,182	10,309	5,906	22,355	395,820	702,651
December	16,768	7,057	58,967	26,468	29,438	20,913	198,637	9,110	9,354	5,820	22,798	405,330	719,752
1940 -													
May * ..	16,468	6,384	51,799	25,732	28,028	21,188	186,516	8,484	8,535	5,958	23,379	382,471	678,762
June ..	16,919	6,652	51,622	25,871	28,714	22,358	193,828	8,294	8,442	6,435	23,186	392,321	696,387
July ..	17,124	6,438	52,112	25,891	28,100	21,572	198,270	9,194	9,538	5,946	23,036	397,221	704,540
August ..	17,024	6,440	51,728	25,924	29,100	21,430	201,567	9,146	10,073	5,811	22,607	400,850	714,688
September	17,127	6,444	51,382	25,873	29,246	21,857	203,471	9,034	10,835	5,888	22,643	403,800	719,777
October..	17,221	6,476	51,600	25,830	30,051	21,265	206,300	8,177	10,380	6,424	23,138	406,862	724,971
November													
December													

\* Includes about 14,000 coal miners on strike.



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## TABLE N.IV.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No.9)

MID-MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE FACTORY AND WORKSHOP PROPRIETORS  
WITH 10 OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

Factory -		Estimated Number of Employees July 1933	Number of Employees (Male and Female) at the pay nearest the middle of the month of:											
Class	Type		1939									1940		
			April	May	June	July	August	Sep- tamber	Oc- tober	No- vember	De- cember	January	February	March
	1 Nor-Metal Mine Products	1,828	2,852	2,891	2,906	2,869	2,847	2,827	2,728	2,761	2,746	2,698	2,743	2,751
	3 Chemicals, etc. ..	5,085	7,215	7,136	7,149	7,190	7,235	7,419	7,879	8,104	8,408	7,938	8,223	8,553
	4 Industrial Metals ..	34,144	61,557	61,602	62,135	61,860	61,775	62,583	64,208	65,095	66,598	66,442	66,037	66,296
	6 Textiles .. ..	8,094	12,045	11,983	12,115	11,953	12,020	11,957	12,616	13,071	13,232	13,221	13,523	13,628
	7 Skins and Leather ..	3,078	3,201	3,295	3,293	3,326	3,245	3,397	3,533	3,766	3,839	3,813	3,945	3,928
	8 Clothing .. ..	19,012	25,222	25,043	24,856	24,672	24,942	25,335	25,772	26,239	26,001	24,956	25,628	25,981
	9 Food and Drink ..	21,624	28,784	27,867	27,663	27,814	27,957	28,548	29,212	29,711	30,137	29,565	29,574	31,052
	10 Wood-working ..	4,170	6,864	6,948	6,904	6,854	6,786	6,721	6,931	6,963	7,103	6,779	6,748	6,811
	12 Paper Printing ..	10,659	14,744	14,772	14,728	14,775	14,813	14,729	14,782	15,134	15,415	15,010	15,057	15,153
	13 Rubber .. ..	1,946	3,657	3,643	3,593	3,738	3,682	3,755	3,667	3,800	3,845	3,901	3,909	4,127
	16 Heat, Light and Power	4,031	5,130	5,263	5,278	5,354	5,373	5,376	5,348	5,270	5,275	5,140	5,102	5,166
2, 5) 11,14) and 15)	Other .. ..	8,275	15,260	15,347	15,188	15,187	15,056	15,282	15,579	15,703	16,038	15,524	15,612	15,950
TOTAL:		121,946	186,531	185,790	185,808	185,592	185,731	187,929	192,255	195,617	198,637	194,987	196,101	199,396

**Note:** The figures above include both taxable and non-taxable employees of Private Factories and Workshops with 10 or more taxable employees.

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TABLE N.IV.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No.9)

MID-MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE FACTORY AND WORKSHOP PROPRIETORS  
WITH 10 OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

Factory -		Number of Employees (Male and Female) at the pay nearest the middle of the month of:								
Class	Type	1940								
		April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1	Non-Metal Mine Products ..	2,643	2,498	2,751	2,757	2,703	2,686	2,637		
3	Chemicals, etc. ..	8,535	8,235	8,406	8,723	8,615	8,939	8,561		
4	Industrial Metals ..	63,521	58,342	65,312	68,661	70,851	71,539	73,260		
6	Textiles .. ..	13,716	13,844	14,199	14,421	14,783	15,032	14,997		
7	Skins and Leather ..	3,922	3,806	3,777	3,896	3,967	4,066	4,180		
8	Clothing .. ..	25,579	25,251	24,919	24,914	25,440	25,785	26,436		
9	Food and Drink.. ..	29,966	28,619	28,525	28,614	28,950	29,145	30,035		
10	Wood-working .. ..	6,739	6,530	6,535	6,588	6,695	7,082	6,881		
12	Paper Printing ..	15,114	15,110	15,015	14,920	14,580	14,422	14,445		
13	Rubber .. ..	4,035	4,158	4,149	4,083	3,738	3,637	3,594		
16	Heat, Light and Power ..	4,909	4,827	4,721	4,736	4,936	4,780	4,774		
2, 5, ) 11, 14 ) and 15)	Other .. ..	15,786	15,296	15,519	15,957	16,309	16,358	16,500		
	<u>TOTAL:</u>	194,465	186,516	193,828	198,270	201,567	203,471	206,300		

Note: The figures above include both taxable and non-taxable employees of Private Factories and Workshops with 10 or more taxable employees.

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TABLE N.IV.  
(Continued)

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No.9)

NUMBER OF PRIVATE FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS WITH 10 OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES FURNISHING RETURNS.

(NOTE: RETURNS INCLUDE BOTH THE TAXABLE AND NON-TAXABLE EMPLOYEES OF THE FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS FURNISHING RETURNS)

Factory -		July 1933	July 1938	December 1938	July 1939	December 1939	July 1940
Class	Type						
1	Non-Metal Mine Products ..	43	47	45	45	45	46
3	Chemicals etc. ..	83	84	84	84	83	84
4	Industrial Metals ..	447	435	433	431	431	432
6	Textiles ..	56	53	52	54	53	52
7	Skins and Leather ..	65	64	63	63	65	65
8	Clothing ..	364	337	333	328	327	317
9	Food and Drink ..	318	304	300	298	297	295
10	Woodworking ..	149	147	146	144	147	146
12	Paper Printing ..	197	187	186	186	187	185
13	Rubber ..	10	9	9	9	9	8
16	Heat, Light and Power ..	18	17	17	17	17	17
2, 5, 11,14) and 15)	Other ..	187	188	186	186	186	190
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>1,937</b>	<b>1,872</b>	<b>1,854</b>	<b>1,845</b>	<b>1,847</b>	<b>1,837</b>

NOTE: The decrease in the number of Private Factories and Workshops furnishing returns is due principally to amalgamations and the closing down of a number of small factories.

**TABLE N.V.**

(Excludes Part-time Relief Workers)

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**NUMBERS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY STATE AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, AND  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT. STATE AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOWN UNDER (A) REVENUE AND  
(B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS)**

Employing Body	Number of Females included in June 1939	1939										1940		
		April	May	June	July	August	Sep- tember	Oct- ober	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March	
(A) REVENUE														
GOVERNMENTAL:														
Railways ..	1,353	38,694	38,490	38,349	38,087	37,763	37,958	37,615	37,694	37,941	37,880	38,022	37,882	
Road Transport and Tramways ..	241	10,529	10,523	10,514	10,498	10,483	10,457	10,473	10,514	10,606	10,615	10,586	10,648	
Department of Main Roads ..	85	3,214	3,216	3,225	3,165	3,155	3,308	3,644	4,145	3,832	4,053	4,075	(f) 3,867	
Police ..	14	3,850	3,842	3,855	3,948	3,933	3,988	3,982	3,925	3,920	3,914	3,910	3,902	
Maritime Services Board ..	35	1,222	1,165	1,145	1,158	1,161	1,187	1,206	1,175	1,195	1,225	1,226	1,233	
Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission	51	570	605	613	601	488	516	628	607	611	584	576	574	
Public Service Board (excluding Education)	)													
Department ..	)	13,350	13,360	13,417	13,440	13,470	13,494	13,500	13,583	13,563	13,563	13,600	13,580	
Education Department - Teachers, etc. ..	10,269	11,530	11,552	11,497	11,471	11,448	11,466	11,507	11,499	11,445	11,549	11,605	11,582	
Painting and Repair Staff ..	)	244	573	601	437	395	317	285	230	206	225	243	215	
State Clothing Factory ..	145	190	191	187	183	186	197	193	195	197	196	197	198	
Department of Works and Local Government)	-	787	636	641	778	629	654	658	653	655	686	719	725	
Mines Department ..	-	409	408	407	411	414	422	406	426	426	416	415	415	
Education Department (Casuals) (a) ..	(a)			933										
Agriculture Department (a) ..(b)	13			897										
Forestry Commission (c) ..	-			300	2,670	2,670	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	
Chief Secretary's Department (a) ..	47	2,840	2,840	208										
Parliament House ..	21			100										
Other Department ..	76			248										
(d) Total Governmental:	12,350	87,429	87,401	87,137	86,847	86,195	86,644	86,777	87,326	87,277	87,586	87,654	87,501	
SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:														
Metropolitan W. S. and D. Board ..	90	1,921	2,040	1,931	2,003	1,964	1,986	1,905	1,926	1,971	1,916	1,928	1,931	
Hunter District Water Board ..	63	305	313	341	339	338	381	381	362	351	356	381	364	
Board of Fire Commissioners ..	37	955	954	953	950	954	954	969	968	968	961	961	959	
Metropolitan Meat Industry Commission ..	33	1,520	1,531	1,729	1,742	1,859	1,922	2,045	2,045	1,973	1,830	1,659	1,696	
Rural Bank of New South Wales ..	275	1,085	1,088	1,098	1,102	1,109	1,112	1,116	1,119	1,137	1,144	1,150	1,150	
Broken Hill Water Board ..	5	(e)	(e)	46	45	43	50	54	50	46	47	53	55	
(d) Total Semi-Governmental:	503	5,786	5,926	6,098	6,181	6,267	6,405	6,470	6,470	6,446	6,254	6,132	6,155	
(d) TOTAL REVENUE:	12,853	93,215	93,327	93,235	93,028	92,462	93,049	93,247	93,796	93,723	93,840	93,886	93,656	

(a) Females included in Education Department. (b) Employees not under jurisdiction of Public Service Board. (c) Information collected as at 30th June each year. Estimated for remainder of year. (d) Includes a small number of loan works employees in certain cases. (e) Included in Department of Works and Local Government. (f) This item now split between (A) Revenue and (B) Loan.

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**NUMBERS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY STATE AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, AND  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT, STATE AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOWN UNDER (A) REVENUE AND  
(B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).**

Employing Body	Number of Females included in June 1939	1939									1940		
		April	May	June	July	August	Sep- tember	Oct- ober	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March
(B) LOAN (Directly employed only)													
GOVERNMENTAL (Principal Departments only)													
Railways ..	-	5,302	5,618	5,332	5,320	5,124	5,001	4,397	4,295	3,836	3,719	3,747	(c)3,440
Department of Main Roads (a) ..	-	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	256
Maritime Services Board ..	-	65	120	154	143	147	116	86	107	85	57	60	91
Department of Works and Local Government ..	-	1,281	1,413	1,366	1,436	1,440	1,440	1,065	969	838	847	894	702
Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission ..	-	762	819	981	1,077	1,330	1,326	1,156	937	883	996	1,078	1,045
Total Governmental:	-	7,410	7,969	7,833	7,976	8,041	7,823	6,704	6,308	5,642	5,619	5,779	5,534
SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:													
Metropolitan W. S. and D. Board ..	-	5,031	5,351	5,314	4,976	4,702	3,773	3,246	3,160	3,148	3,080	3,018	3,011
Hunter District Water Board ..	-	1,178	1,198	1,404	1,635	1,635	1,618	1,548	1,584	1,598	1,544	1,614	1,643
Total Semi-Governmental:	-	6,209	6,549	6,718	6,611	6,337	5,391	4,794	4,744	4,746	4,624	4,632	4,654
TOTAL LOAN WORKS (Principal Bodies only):	-	13,619	14,518	14,551	14,587	14,378	13,274	11,498	11,052	10,388	10,243	10,411	10,188
Commonwealth Defence Works under super- vision of:-													
Works and Local Government Department ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,125	1,127	1,474	1,652	1,942
Department of Main Roads ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	881	1,373	1,591	1,658
Railways (d) ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	307
Part Time Workers - Cleaners and Others normally employed for less than a full working day (e) ..	1,212	1,920	1,920	2,056	2,050	2,060	2,060	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080
Prince Henry Hospital ..	480	639	639	632	638	635	640	641	648	644	646	648	665
GRAND TOTAL (State and Semi-Govern- mental, excluding Relief Workers)	14,545	109,393	110,404	110,474	110,313	109,535	109,023	107,466	108,741	108,843	109,656	110,268	110,496

(a) This item is split between Revenue and Loan after February, 1940. (b) Not available. (c) See (d). (d) Included in (B) "Loan" prior to March, 1940. (e) Information collected as at 30th June each year - estimated for remainder of year.



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NUMBERS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY STATE AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES,  
AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. STATE AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOWN UNDER (A) REVENUE  
(B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

Commonwealth Employees in New South Wales. (Revenue and Loan)	Number of Females included in June 1939	1939										1940		
		April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	
Department of the Army (Civil Staff other than those under Public Service Board))		163	165	159)									( 282	
Department of the Navy (a) .. )	31	1,901	2,037	2,027)	2,664	2,775	3,351	3,603	3,710	3,800	3,350	3,670	(2,271	
Small Arms Factory .. )		475	495	534)									(1,405	
Commonwealth Public Service Board (b)-														
Post Office .. )		13,268	13,268)											
Other .. )	2,360	2,234	(2,264)	15,609	15,729	15,775	15,971	16,190	16,048	16,164	16,401	16,545	16,646	
Commonwealth Bank .. )	618	3,137	3,155	3,159	3,150	3,163	3,171	3,179	3,189	3,219	3,249	3,265	3,304	
Department of Repatriation .. )	216			572)										
War Service Homes Commission .. )	13			66)										
Australian Broadcasting Commission .. )	110	830	830)	227)	865	865	870	880	890	890	890	890	890	
(Information collected as at 30th June; estimated for remainder of year) .. )														
Commonwealth Employees - Full time (c)	3,348	22,008	22,214	22,353	22,408	22,578	23,363	23,852	23,837	24,073	23,890	24,370	24,798	
Commonwealth Employees - Part time (Information collected as at 30th June; estimated for remainder of Year) .. )	148	260	260	244	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	
Total Commonwealth Employees .. )	3,496	22,268	22,474	22,597	22,658	22,828	23,593	24,002	24,087	24,323	24,140	24,620	25,048	
GRAND TOTAL (State, Commonwealth and Semi-Governmental Employees - Excluding Relief Workers) .. )	18,041	131,661	132,878	133,071	132,971	132,363	132,616	131,468	132,828	133,166	133,796	134,888	134,182(e)	
Employees of Contractors on Construction Work (d). (State Government only)	-	2,211	2,131	2,475	2,366	2,203	1,920	1,830	1,854	1,625	1,624	1,611	1,701	
Local Government Employees (excluding relief workers and employees of private contractors. Partly estimated)	-	24,844	24,815	24,694	24,214	24,127	23,831	23,352	22,910	23,714	22,769	22,765	22,687	

(a) Excluding employees under jurisdiction of the Public Service Board. (b) Partly estimated. (c) For employees on Commonwealth Defence Works for which the New South Wales Departments of Works and Main Roads were agents see under (B) Loan on State Employees Sheet. (d) Subject to revision. (e) This total excludes 1,361 Commonwealth and State employees on war service. As the numbers on Defence Service are excluded from the total number of employees in the returns of certain departments, this figure does not represent the total number of employees absent on Defence Service, it merely represents the number absent on Defence Service who are included in the total number of employees.

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Employing Body			1940								
			April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
(A) <u>REVENUE</u>											
<u>GOVERNMENTAL:</u>											
Railways ..	..		37,733	37,029	37,363	37,412	38,013	38,299	38,384		
Road Transport and Tramways ..	..		10,684	10,669	10,629	10,787	10,814	11,093	11,112		
Department of Main Roads ..	..		3,917	3,808	3,735	3,765	3,455	3,010	3,090		
Police ..	..		3,899	3,897	3,962	3,962	3,991	3,989	3,996		
Maritime Services Board ..	..		1,163	1,187	1,212	1,237	1,257	1,234	1,225		
Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission			607	580	644	611	610	621	638		
Public Service Board (including Education Department) ..	..		25,326	24,430	25,544	25,601	25,588	25,633	25,953		
Painting and Repair Staff ..	..		235	318	402	319	353	327	332		
State Clothing Factory )			198	193	192	186	189	191	193		
Department of Works and Local Government )			698	936	954	929	892	892	895		
Mines Department ..	..		415	415	419	418	429	439	427		
Education Department (Casuals) (b) ) (a)											
Agriculture Department (b) )											
Forestry Commission ..	(b) )		2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,955		
Chief Secretary's Department (b) )											
Parliament House ..	(b) )										
Other Departments ..	(b) )										
(c) Total Governmental:			87,555	86,142	87,736	87,907	88,271	88,408	89,200		
<u>SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:</u>											
Metropolitan W. S. and D. Board ..	..		1,906	1,899	1,861	1,870	1,850	1,861	1,907		
Hunter District Water Board ..	..		383	353	362	389	387	388	393		
Board of Fire Commissioners ..	..		958	954	953	968	967	975	973		
Metropolitan Meat Industry Commission ..	..		1,632	1,751	2,044	2,107	2,136	1,937	2,078		
Rural Bank of New South Wales ..	..		1,165	1,168	1,170	1,175	1,181	1,187	1,194		
Broken Hill Water Board ..	..		55	53	57	66	59	61	56		
(c) Total Semi-Governmental:			6,099	6,178	6,447	6,575	6,580	6,409	6,601		
(c) <u>TOTAL REVENUE:</u>			93,654	93,320	94,213	94,482	94,851	94,817	95,801		

(a) Employees not under jurisdiction of Public Service Board. (b) Information collected as at 30th June each year. Estimated for remainder of year. (c) Includes a small number of loan work employees in certain cases.

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AND (B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

Employing Body	1940									
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
(B) LOAN (Directly employed only)										
<u>GOVERNMENTAL</u> (Principal Departments only)										
Railways .. .. .	3,745	3,740	3,582	4,154	3,375	4,087	4,014			
Department of Main Roads .. .. .	248	233	236	236	245	188	193			
Maritime Services Board .. .. .	148	132	92	65	63	78	83			
Department of Works and Local Government	749	527	514	526	533	507	581			
Water Conservation and Irrigation Com- mission .. .. .	1,064	1,164	1,221	1,103	1,035	926	922			
Total Governmental:	5,954	5,796	6,045	6,084	5,854	5,786	5,793			
<u>SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:</u>										
Metropolitan W. S. and D. Board .. .. .	3,029	2,950	2,840	2,731	2,565	2,666	2,671			
Hunter District Water Board .. .. .	1,613	1,742	1,762	1,793	1,910	2,003	2,030			
Total Semi-Governmental:	4,642	4,692	4,602	4,524	4,475	4,669	4,701			
<u>TOTAL LOAN WORKS (Principal Bodies only):</u>	10,596	10,488	10,647	10,608	10,329	10,455	10,494			
<u>Commonwealth Defence Works under super- vision of:</u>										
Works and Local Government Department	1,679	1,815	1,765	2,313	2,698	1,702	1,043			
Department of Main Roads .. .. .	1,636	1,653	1,582	1,320	1,432	1,778	1,854			
Railways .. .. .	248	224	122	277	173	66	22			
Part Time Workers - Cleaners and Others normally employed for less than a full working day (a) .. .. .	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,194			
Prince Henry Hospital .. .. .	648	670	661	646	649	646	658			
<u>GRAND TOTAL (State and Semi-Govern- mental, excluding Relief Workers)</u>	110,541	110,250	111,070	111,726	112,212	111,544	112,066			

(a) Information collected as at 30th June. Estimated for remainder of year.

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Commonwealth Employees in New South Wales. (Revenue and Loan)	1940								
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Department of the Army (Civil Staff other than those under Public Service Board .. )	286	288	292	300	843	884	923		
Department of the Navy (a) .. )	2,141	2,211	2,416	2,465	2,585	2,454	2,391		
Small Arms Factory .. )	1,511	1,641	1,867	2,070	2,237	2,453	2,759		
Commonwealth Public Service Board (b) .. )	17,213	18,014	18,473	18,096	17,713	17,424	17,602		
Commonwealth Bank .. )	3,333	3,336	3,352	3,430	3,399	3,414	3,425		
Department of Repatriation .. )									
War Service Homes Commission .. )									
Australian Broadcasting Commission .. )	895	900	900	900	900	900	1,124		
(Information collected as at 30th June; esti- mated for remainder of Year) .. )									
Commonwealth Employees - Full time (c) .. )	25,379	26,390	27,300	27,261	27,677	27,529	28,224		
Commonwealth Employees - Part time .. )									
(Information collected as at 30th June; esti- mated for remainder of Year) .. )	250	250	250	250	250	250	250		
Total Commonwealth Employees .. )	25,629	26,640	27,480	27,511	27,927	27,779	28,474		
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u> (State, Commonwealth and Semi- Governmental Employees - Excluding Relief Workers) .. )	134,761(e)	135,344(e)	136,037(e)	136,304(e)	137,220(e)	135,799(e)	136,935(e)		
Employees of Contractors on Construction Work(d) (State Government only) .. )	1,648	1,673	1,584	1,439	1,532	1,776	1,802		
Local Government Employees (excluding relief workers and employees of private contractors. Partly estimated) .. )	22,508	22,658	22,609	22,522	22,006	21,359	21,492		

(a) Excluding employees under jurisdiction of the Public Service Board. (b) Partly estimated. (c) For employees on Commonwealth Defence Works for which the New South Wales Departments of Works and Main Roads were agents see under (B) Loan on State Employees Sheet. (d) Subject to Revision. (e) These totals exclude the following Commonwealth and State employees on war service:- April, 1,409; May, 1,546; June, 2,513; July, 2,933; August, 2,919; September, 3,524; October, 3,605. As the number on Defence Service is excluded from the total number of employees in the returns of certain departments, these figures do not represent the total number of employees absent on Defence Service; they represent the number absent on Defence Service who are included in the total number of employees.

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TABLE N.VII. - STATE LABOUR EXCHANGES - PERSONS REGISTERED AT END OF MONTH  
(Relief Workers Included)

Date	Adult Males								Total Registrations less Full-time equivalent of Relief Workers
	Metro-politan	Broken Hill	Lithgow	Maitland	Newcastle	Wollongong	Rest of State	Total	
1939-40	27,673	782	642	2,443	3,955	1,196	12,224	48,915	41,649
<u>1939 -</u>									
July ..	29,505	773	846	2,731	3,710	1,116	13,426	52,107	42,501
August ..	30,392	778	823	2,660	3,612	1,168	13,418	52,851	43,415
September	30,430	732	774	2,770	3,617	1,076	12,908	52,307	43,507
October..	29,975	822	782	2,610	3,761	1,062	12,314	51,326	43,056
November	27,511	804	719	2,426	3,617	845	11,633	47,555	40,430
December	26,534	777	685	2,277	3,448	721	11,019	45,461	38,636
<u>1940 -</u>									
January..	26,900	809	688	2,415	3,561	747	12,292	47,412	40,292
February	26,073	714	674	2,309	3,447	820	12,378	46,415	39,761
March ..	25,918	730	(a)	2,515	3,214	929	12,375	45,681	39,413
April ..	27,053	875	637	2,423	6,096	1,831	11,898	50,813	44,973
May ..	27,103	816	570	2,324	6,038	2,395	11,605	50,851	44,996
June ..	24,684	748	508	1,860	3,337	1,646	11,418	44,201	38,811
July ..	22,203	703	280	1,789	2,820	888	10,193	38,876	34,283
August ..	20,514	677	338	1,759	2,424	751	9,218	35,681	31,435
September	20,071	660	388	1,577	1,934	664	8,979	34,273	29,641
October..	17,180	638	344	1,446	1,880	612	8,692	30,792	26,182
November									
December									

(a) Not available.



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TABLE V.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.  
Including Part-time Relief Workers in Actual Employment.  
(See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I. Issue No. 9)

Period	Governmental (Commonwealth, State and Local)	Factories (excepting Working Proprietors)	Retail Shops	Mines	Rural (Permanent Employees) (a)	Total of Foregoing	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment
1933-30th June	80,797	137,087	38,625	4,000	24,899	285,408	191,090	476,498
<u>Average for Year-</u>								
1938-39	97,177	193,854	49,195	4,044	30,847	375,117	236,968	612,085
1939-40	105,537	196,997	49,714	3,992	30,847(b)	387,087	243,556	630,643
<u>1939-40- Month-</u>								
July ..	102,025	181,950	47,743	)	)	366,557	232,305	598,862
August ..	100,777	183,589	47,397	)	)	366,602	232,330	598,932
September ..	101,050	185,773	47,224	)	)	368,886	233,582	602,468
October..	104,143	193,707	48,676	)	)	381,365	240,420	621,785
November	105,899	197,814	50,647	)	)	389,199	244,714	633,913
December	105,754	196,548	57,077	)	)	394,218	247,464	641,682
January..	105,513	202,224	49,714	3,992(c)	30,847(c)	392,290	246,407	638,697
February	107,127	204,634	48,192	)	)	394,792	247,779	642,571
March ..	107,764	205,382	48,331	)	)	396,316	248,614	644,930
April ..	108,530	207,402	49,748	)	)	400,519	250,917	651,436
May ..	108,807	203,134	50,267	)	)	397,047	249,014	646,061
June ..	109,054	201,820	51,373	)	)	397,086	249,036	646,122
<u>1940-41-Month-</u>								
July ..	106,608	200,754	49,022	)	)	391,223	245,823	637,046
August ..	105,974	199,939	48,434	)	)	389,186	244,706	633,892
September	106,256	203,239	49,126	3,992(c)	30,847(c)	393,460	247,049	640,509
October..(d)	106,256	207,665	49,437	)	)	398,197	249,645	647,842
November								
December								

(a) Estimated. (b) Subject to revision. 1939-40 figures not yet available. (c) Mining and Rural employment not available monthly. These approximate figures are inserted to enable a total, continuous with previous years, to be provided. (d) Subject to revision.

Note: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".



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- TABLE V.II.

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

Month	Commonwealth			State			Semi-Governmental			Local Government			Total			Employees of Contractors on Construction Work		
	Males	Fe-males	Per-sons	Males	Fe-males	Per-sons	Males	Fe-males	Per-sons	Males	Fe-males	Per-sons	Males	Fe-males	Per-sons	Males	Fe-males	Per-sons
1938-39	15,091	4,051	19,142	61,104	11,926	73,030	617	18	635	11,976	525	12,501	88,788	16,520	105,308	4,003	600	4,603
1939-40	19,681	5,136	24,817	64,020	12,188	76,208	689	24	713	12,013	572	12,585	96,403	17,920	114,323	4,173	601	4,774
<u>1939 -</u>																		
May ..	16,678	4,445	21,123	64,290	12,209	76,499	765	19	784	12,248	528	12,776	93,981	17,201	111,182	4,541	600	5,141
June ..	16,855	4,566	21,421	64,218	12,299	76,517	775	19	794	12,486	534	13,020	94,334	17,418	111,752	4,671	600	5,271
July ..	17,219	4,098	21,317	63,888	12,123	76,011	787	19	806	12,035	543	12,578	93,929	16,783	110,712	3,794	600	4,394
August ..	17,260	4,108	21,368	62,665	12,165	74,830	776	19	795	11,953	537	12,490	92,654	16,829	109,483	4,094	600	4,694
September	17,377	4,127	21,504	62,783	12,191	74,974	723	19	742	11,961	565	12,526	92,844	16,902	109,746	3,983	600	4,583
October..	18,672	4,496	23,168	63,879	12,171	76,050	822	28	850	12,193	568	12,761	95,566	17,263	112,829	3,837	600	4,437
November	19,352	4,702	24,054	64,419	12,203	76,622	797	31	828	12,498	593	13,091	97,066	17,529	114,595	3,919	600	4,519
December	19,831	4,981	24,812	63,824	12,174	75,998	759	31	790	12,300	588	12,888	96,714	17,774	114,488	4,315	600	4,915
<u>1940 -</u>																		
May(a) ..	21,368	6,072	27,440	64,599	12,219	76,818	725	25	750	12,175	567	12,742	98,867	18,883	117,750	4,563	600	5,163
June ..	21,795	6,447	28,242	64,487	12,236	76,723	740	25	765	11,879	573	12,452	98,901	19,281	118,182	4,498	600	5,098
July ..	23,409	6,749	30,158	60,994	12,214	73,208	501	22	603	11,219	578	11,797	96,203	19,563	115,766	4,658	600	5,258
August ..	24,165	7,035	31,200	59,797	12,276	72,073	488	21	509	11,002	578	11,580	95,452	19,910	115,362	4,339	600	4,939
September	24,625	7,490	32,115	59,403	12,436	71,839	509	22	531	10,655	577	11,232	95,192	20,525	115,717	3,827	600	4,427
October..(b)																		
November																		
December																		

(a) Geelong Harbour Trust now included under State Government instead of Semi-Governmental as previously. (b) Not yet available.

Note: The decrease in State Government and Semi-Governmental employment from June to September occurred mainly in the State Railways, Metropolitan Board of Works and Country Roads Board.

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TABLE V.III.  
NUMBER OF MEN REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED AT END OF MONTH.  
 (Employment Council Figures)

Month	Metro- politan	Ballarat	Bendigo	Geelong	Mildura	Warrnam- bool	Wonthaggi	Rest of State	TOTAL
1939-40	8,090	858	562	863	151	104	56	4,089	14,773
<u>1939 -</u>									
July ..	11,736	968	641	1,130	269	102	60	6,233	21,139
August ..	12,083	1,103	693	1,138	298	98	75	6,450	21,938
September	11,692	1,056	676	1,083	238	83	72	5,803	20,703
October..	9,789	1,028	651	961	227	125	61	4,926	17,768
November	8,230	999	575	931	(a)	120	61	4,030	14,946
December	7,904	942	553	887	(a)	114	47	3,295	13,742
<u>1940 -</u>									
January..	6,986	876	546	876	188	100	50	3,117	12,739
February	6,048	772	538	869	(b)	107	51	3,192	11,577
March ..	5,860	711	476	841	36	120	51	3,014	11,109
April ..	5,883	691	506	693	273	86	53	3,282	11,467
May ..	5,663	582	449	469	150	89	50	3,024	10,476
June ..	5,211	563	436	480	129	101	45	2,706	9,671
July ..	4,686	542	412	362	176	96	32	2,911	9,217
August ..	4,244	520	430	364	193	90	35	2,686	8,562
September	3,906	513	411	244	211	80	40	2,658	8,063
October..	3,218	477	328	120	209	70	23	2,473	6,918
November									
December									

(a) Not available.

(b) Register closed during fruit picking.

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TABLE V.IV. UNEMPLOYED REGISTRATIONS ON LIVE REGISTER OF STATE LABOUR EXCHANGE AT END  
OF MONTH CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO GENERAL NATURE OF TRADE OR OCCUPATION

METROPOLITAN AREA ONLY

General Nature of Trade or Occupation	Males									
	August 1939	1940								
		April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1. Wood, furniture, saw-mill, Timber works etc. ..	346	190	182	163	131	103	88	67		
2. Engineering, Metal Works etc. (a) ..	725	333	331	267	217	214	193	136		
3. Food, Drink, Tobacco ..	546	297	304	296	242	212	152	125		
4. Clothing, Hats, Boots etc. ..	737	344	350	348	294	235	199	132		
5. Books, Printing, Binding ..	83	72	74	80	56	41	43	34		
6. Other Manufacturing ..	462	217	209	190	177	152	142	122		
7. Building ..	761	311	296	266	224	193	201	147		
8. Mining ..	364	98	94	112	104	87	71	66		
9. Rail and Tramway Services (b)	67	34	20	33	24	43	20	18		
10. Other Land Transport ..	929	420	394	386	315	261	240	180		
11. Shipping, Wharf Labour ..	120	74	59	42	42	29	43	24		
12. Agricultural, Pastoral, Rural etc. ..	324	187	205	187	149	119	96	91		
13. Domestic, Hotels etc. ..	276	149	149	133	98	79	64	62		
14. General Labourers and Miscellaneous (c) ..	6,199	3,127	2,985	2,667	2,646	2,452	2,347	2,064		
<u>TOTAL:</u>	11,939	5,853	5,652	5,170	4,719	4,220	3,899	3,268		

(a) Including railway and tramway workshops.

(b) Excluding railway and tramway workshops, but including construction and maintenance of permanent way and works.

(c) Excluding railway and tramway employees and labourers employed on railway and tramway construction and maintenance.

NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

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TABLE Q. III.

NUMBERS OF PERSONS REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED.

(Persons on Live Register, State Labour Exchanges at end of Month)

Month	Brisbane	Ipswich	Rockhampton	Townsville	Rest of State	Total		
						Males	Females	Persons
<u>1939-40</u>	9,467	888	1,091	1,494	14,642	26,063	1,519	27,582
<u>1939 -</u>								
July ..	9,278	1,000	1,068	1,026	10,665	21,550	1,487	23,037
August ..	9,333	955	1,196	1,160	9,762	21,010	1,396	22,406
September	9,638	963	1,135	1,403	10,085	21,841	1,383	23,224
October..	9,838	879	1,177	1,332	10,883	22,782	1,327	24,109
November	10,021	857	1,341	1,449	11,996	24,344	1,320	25,664
December	10,352	816	1,412	2,168	16,275	29,770	1,253	31,023
<u>1940 -</u>								
January..	10,410	847	1,349	2,014	21,181	34,181	1,620	35,801
February	9,332	817	1,475	1,997	21,243	33,238	1,626	34,864
March ..	8,935	774	1,173	1,895	19,958	31,096	1,639	32,735
April ..	8,773	858	595	1,548	17,677	27,645	1,806	29,451
May ..	8,950	990	519	989	14,479	24,248	1,679	25,927
June ..	8,748	898	648	947	11,501	21,054	1,688	22,742
July ..	8,825	876	777	952	9,173	18,941	1,662	20,603
August ..	8,370	855	811	849	8,172	17,598	1,459	19,057
September	7,880	801	838	723	7,936	16,717	1,461	18,178
October..	6,993	709	1,047	964	8,413	16,797	1,329	18,126
November								
December								

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TABLE Q.IV.

PERSONS REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS.

(Persons on Live Register, State Labour Exchanges at end of Month)

Trade or Calling	August 1939	1940								
		April	May	June	July	August	Sep- tember	October	November	December
Agricultural and Pastoral ..	1,019	3,572	3,127	2,439	1,161	872	878	1,339		
Building trades (all classes) ..	1,764	1,338	1,339	1,340	1,390	1,285	1,041	972		
Clerical and Professional ..	515	430	442	402	377	360	327	307		
Clothing Manufacturing, Boots and Wearing Apparel ..	118	102	97	127	109	98	70	72		
Domestic ..	89	65	51	78	80	76	69	62		
Engine Driving ..	161	305	245	185	147	122	125	113		
Engineering (all classes) ..	560	466	408	424	440	402	328	343		
Food and Drink ..	312	376	373	309	283	234	231	225		
Hygiene and Safety (Ambulance, Hospi- tal, etc.) ..	21	36	39	33	28	32	21	23		
Labouring - (all classes) ..	13,754	18,741	15,984	13,582	12,741	11,969	11,608	11,259		
Manufacturing N.E.I. ..	127	151	147	134	122	98	69	77		
Meat Industry (retail and export, also Bacon Factories) ..	512	342	241	173	215	419	504	691		
Mining - Coal ..	47	22	19	11	14	14	14	9		
Mining - Metalliferous ..	419	289	288	382	367	372	305	282		
Miscellaneous ..	203	186	182	181	243	220	174	174		
Printing, including Newspapers ..	105	114	108	122	117	90	87	66		
Shop Assistants ..	334	310	333	295	290	256	222	202		
Storemen and Packers ..	209	122	129	149	147	115	104	98		
Transportation (carrying etc.) ..	741	678	696	688	670	569	540	483		
<u>TOTAL:</u> <u>Males:</u>	21,010	27,645	24,248	21,054	18,941	17,598	16,717	16,797		
<u>Females:</u>	1,396	1,806	1,679	1,688	1,662	1,459	1,461	1,329		
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	22,406	29,451	25,927	22,742	20,603	19,057	18,178	18,126		



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TABLE Q.V.

PERSONS REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED AT CENTRAL LABOUR EXCHANGES (a)

(Persons on Live Register at end of Month).

OCTOBER, 1940

Classified Occupations.	Ayr	Brisbane	Bundaberg	Cairns	Charleville	Gympie	Innisfail	Ipswich	Longreach	MacKay	Maryborough	Rockhampton	Roma	Toowoomba	Townsville	Warwick	Total
Pastoral .. ..	-	61	2	1	127	3	-	3	89	4	-	30	52	48	45	16	481
Sugar Industry .. ..	5	4	39	15	-	-	19	1	-	31	1	-	-	3	9	-	127
Dairying .. ..	-	14	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	20
Fruit Industry .. ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
General Agriculture .. ..	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	12	6	-	34
Agricultural and Pastoral	5	88	41	18	127	3	19	4	89	43	2	30	52	63	63	16	663
Building Trades(all classes)	6	504	16	19	-	17	6	41	-	28	21	59	13	47	55	11	843
Clerical and Professional	-	296	4	10	-	1	2	5	-	5	5	13	4	11	16	3	375
Clothing Manufacturing, Boots and Wearing Apparel	-	170	1	3	-	3	-	9	1	1	4	2	-	6	4	1	205
Domestic .. ..	3	269	8	16	5	3	4	8	3	15	14	17	2	14	13	6	400
Engine Driving .. ..	-	45	4	3	1	-	3	5	-	2	3	5	3	18	6	-	98
Engineering(all classes)	-	203	3	6	-	3	1	18	-	12	9	20	1	10	17	1	304
Food and Drink .. ..	3	250	5	16	4	4	8	12	-	11	5	27	-	22	41	6	414
Hygiene and Safety (Ambulance, Hospitals, etc.)..	-	27	2	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	2	-	-	7	5	1	48
Labouring (all classes) ..	33	3,966	124	132	55	202	80	560	52	205	230	672	60	343	503	222	7,439
Manufacturing- not elsewhere specified ..	-	72	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	9	-	-	3	-	88
Meat Industry (Retail and Export), also Bacon Factories .. ..	1	248	2	2	1	3	-	5	-	1	1	102	1	6	186	-	559
Mining - Coal .. ..	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8
Mining- Metalliferous ..	1	118	7	5	-	3	4	3	-	8	-	39	-	8	4	4	204
Miscellaneous .. ..	-	168	-	1	-	-	1	10	-	-	-	2	1	3	2	1	189
Printing- Including Newspapers .. ..	-	66	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	4	-	1	1	1	76
Shop Assistants .. ..	-	221	2	8	-	4	1	5	1	2	6	11	2	10	12	5	290
Storemen and Packers ..	-	104	-	2	-	-	1	6	-	1	-	4	-	3	6	-	127
Transportation (carrying, etc.) .. ..	-	175	7	8	1	9	15	10	-	10	5	31	7	20	27	8	333
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>6,993</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>1,047</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>12,663</b>

(a) Central Exchanges are merely the larger Centres throughout the State at which officers of the Labour Department itself are stationed. For total registrations, see Tables Q.III. and Q.IV.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

TABLE S.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.

Including Part-time Relief Workers in Actual Employment.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I. Issue No. 9)

Period	Governmental (Commonwealth, State and Local)	Factories (excepting Working Proprietors)	Retail Shops	Mines	Rural (Permanent Employees) (a)	Total of Foregoing	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment
1933-30th June	25,725	25,074	15,944	(531)	9,973	77,247	58,863	136,110
Average for year-								
1938-39	31,952	42,018	20,889	832	14,810	110,501	76,352	186,853
1939-40	32,448	42,846	20,504	923	14,810(b)	111,531	76,936	188,467
1939-40-Month-								
July ..	32,775	41,022	20,193	)	)	109,723	76,433	186,156(d)
August ..	32,957	41,910	20,028	)	)	110,628	76,374	187,002
September	33,047	40,604	20,559	)	)	109,943	75,948	185,891
October..	32,944	41,347	19,954	)	)	109,978	75,970	185,948
November	32,827	41,304	20,376	)	)	110,240	76,133	186,373
December	32,944	43,057	23,326	923(c)	14,810(c)	115,060	79,131	194,191
January..	31,843	43,035	20,394	)	)	111,005	76,609	187,614
February	32,030	43,642	20,101	)	)	111,506	76,920	188,426
March ..	32,026	44,404	20,064	)	)	112,227	77,369	189,596
April ..	31,991	45,069	20,358	)	)	113,151	77,944	191,095
May ..	32,123	44,616	20,284	)	)	112,756	77,698	190,454
June ..	31,873	44,139	20,376	)	)	112,121	77,303	189,424
1940-41-Month-								
July ..	31,233	43,623	20,156	)	)	110,654	76,447	187,101
August ..	31,497	44,409	20,248	)	)	111,796	77,157	188,953
September	31,730	46,202	20,284	832(c)	14,810(c)	113,858	78,440	192,298
October..	32,034	47,203	20,394	)	)	115,273	79,320	194,593
November								
December								

(a) Estimated. (b) Subject to revision. 1939-40 figures not yet available. (c) Mining and Rural employment not available monthly. These approximate figures are inserted to enable a total, continuous with previous years to be provided. (d) CORRECTION: The corresponding figure in Table A.I. should read 186,156.

Note: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".

(Excludes Part-time Relief Workers)

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**TABLE S.IV. UNEMPLOYMENT REGISTRATIONS ON LIVE REGISTER AT END OF MONTH**  
**CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO GENERAL NATURE OF TRADE OR OCCUPATION.**

General Nature of Trade or Occupation	Males									
	August 1939	1940								
		April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1. Wood, furniture, saw-mill, timber works etc.	149	136	126	169	172	187	116	73		
2. Engineering, metal works, etc. (a) ..	512	363	382	409	439	442	227	183		
3. Food, Drink, Tobacco ..	-	59	72	61	58	52	35	40		
4. Clothing, Hats, Boots, etc.	16	15	11	10	11	10	12	10		
5. Books, Printing, Binding	26	26	24	21	24	16	11	16		
6. Other Manufacturing ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
7. Building .. ..	487	348	324	313	370	276	261	217		
8. Mining .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
9. Rail and Tramway Services <sup>(b)</sup>	7,138	4,778	4,948	4,688	5,185	5,497	4,008	3,597		
10. Other Land Transport ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
11. Shipping, Wharf Labour..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
12. Agricultural, Pastoral, Rural, etc. ..	8	3	4	2	-	1	2	3		
13. Domestic, Hotels, etc...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
14. General Labourers and Miscellaneous (c) ..	523	332	355	305	262	316	356	221		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>8,859</b>	<b>6,060</b>	<b>6,246</b>	<b>5,978</b>	<b>6,521</b>	<b>6,797</b>	<b>5,028</b>	<b>4,360</b>		

(a) Including railway and tramway workshops.

(b) Excluding railway and tramway workshops, but including construction and maintenance of permanent way and works.

(c) Excluding railway and tramway employees and labourers employed on railway and tramway construction and maintenance.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

TABLE W.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.

Including Part-time Relief Workers in Actual Employment.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I. Issue No. 9).

Period	Governmental (Commonwealth, State and Local) (a)	Factories (excepting Working Proprietors)	Retail Shops (a)	Mines	Rural (Permanent Employees (b)	Total of Foregoing	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment
1933-30th June	23,068	13,858	9,209	5,817	8,689	60,641	52,517	113,158
Average for year-								
1938-39	28,145	22,090	12,760	11,427	10,644	85,066	75,231	160,297
1939-40	28,189	21,412	12,672	10,546	10,644(c)	83,463	73,611	157,074
1939-40 - Month-								
July ..	28,397	21,172	13,068)			83,955	74,108	158,063
August ..	28,259	21,259	12,496)	10,674(d)		83,332	73,479	156,811
September	28,367	20,789	12,210)			82,684	72,823	155,507
October.. ..	28,523	21,332	12,243)			83,459	73,607	157,066
November	28,626	21,826	12,408)	10,717(d)		84,221	74,377	158,598
December	28,666	21,897	13,738)		10,644(d)	85,662	75,834	161,496
January..	27,999	21,842	12,969)			84,195	74,351	158,546
February	27,862	21,635	12,628)	10,741(d)		83,510	73,658	157,168
March ..	28,232	21,458	12,727)			83,802	73,954	157,756
April ..	27,989	21,416	12,595)			82,698	72,838	155,536
May ..	27,687	21,346	12,540)	10,054(d)		82,271	72,406	154,677
June ..	27,659	20,975	12,507)			81,839	71,969	153,808
1940-41 - Month-								
July ..	27,403	20,893	12,738)			81,600	71,728	153,328
August ..	27,716	20,874	12,342)	9,922(d)	10,644(d)	81,498	71,625	153,123
September	27,227	21,271	12,364)			81,428	71,554	152,982
October..	27,119	21,208	12,134)			81,027	71,148	152,175
November								
December								

(a) Revised. (b) Estimated. (c) Subject to revision. 1939-40 figures not yet available. (d) Mining and Rural employment not available monthly. These approximate figures are inserted to enable a total, continuous with previous years, to be provided.

NOTE: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".



(Excludes Part-time Relief Workers)

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TABLE W.III.  
PERSONS REGISTERED (OR RE-REGISTERED) AS UNEMPLOYED AT STATE LABOUR EXCHANGES\*  
DURING THE UNDERMENTIONED MONTHS.

Month	Perth		Fremantle		Goldfields		Other Centres		Total		
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons
<u>1939-40</u>	796	198	132	-	4	-	15	-	947	198	1,145
<u>1939 -</u>											
July ..	908	210	241	-	2	-	18	-	1,169	210	1,379
August ..	1,024	241	260	-	7	-	20	-	1,311	241	1,552
September	1,069	225	14	-	2	-	21	-	1,106	225	1,331
October..	840	204	201	-	5	-	28	-	1,074	204	1,278
November	721	163	114	-	4	-	28	-	867	163	1,030
December	538	130	61	-	4	-	15	-	618	130	748
<u>1940 -</u>											
January..	858	206	164	-	5	-	5	-	1,032	206	1,238
February	684	200	106	-	5	-	6	-	801	200	1,001
March ..	773	146	127	-	6	-	14	-	920	146	1,066 <sup>†</sup>
April ..	809	217	107	-	5	-	12	-	933	217	1,150 <sup>†</sup>
May ..	719	230	90	-	5	-	12	-	826	230	1,056 <sup>†</sup>
June ..	613	203	94	-	5	-	1	-	713	203	916 <sup>†</sup>
July ..	781	225	98	-	-	-	1	-	880	225	1,105 <sup>†</sup>
August ..	548	207	87	-	-	-	1	-	636	207	843 <sup>†</sup>
September	636	200	88	-	19	-	2	-	745	200	945 <sup>†</sup>
October..	493	201	43	-	-	-	1	-	537	201	738 <sup>†</sup>
November											
December											

\* Exclusive of the Boys' Employment Office. † The Monthly registrations from March to October include 75, 150, 164, 198, 266, 183, 221 and 14 men respectively who also registered with the Department of Employment for relief work or sustenance. In Table A.X. these men are excluded from the Labour Exchange registrations.

TASMANIA

TABLE T.I. EMPLOYMENT.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I., Issue No. 9)

The following table, compiled from the wages tax returns of private employers in respect of their employees, whether subject to or not subject to tax, and from returns of Commonwealth, State and Local Government employment, gives the best measure available of the course of total employment in Tasmania. From July 1940 total employment in Private Industry is estimated from monthly figures collected by the Deputy Commonwealth Statistician, and not from the wages tax returns.

Period	Private Industry			Public Authorities			Total Employment - Public and Private		
	M.	F.	Total	M.	F.	Total	M.	F.	Total
1936-37	30,858	9,522	40,380	10,798	1,763	12,561	41,656	11,285	52,941
1937-38	34,001	10,685	44,686	10,581	1,825	12,406	44,582	12,510	57,092
1938-39	37,933	12,184	50,117	10,488	1,879	12,367	48,421	14,063	62,484
1939-40	39,659	13,151	52,810	10,725	1,972	12,697	50,384	15,123	65,507
<u>1939-40 -</u>									
July ..	37,236	11,626	48,862	10,100	1,948	12,048	47,336	13,574	60,910
August ..	37,442	11,823	49,265	10,317	1,958	12,275	47,759	13,781	61,540
September	37,412	11,981	49,394	10,384	1,950	12,334	47,796	13,932	61,728
October..	38,210	11,872	50,082	10,665	1,948	12,613	48,875	13,820	62,695
November	38,966	12,334	51,300	10,672	1,963	12,635	49,638	14,297	63,935
December	40,082	13,341	53,423	10,960	1,955	12,915	51,042	15,296	66,338
January..	41,951	13,904	55,855	10,828	1,865	12,693	52,779	15,769	68,548
February	41,676	13,230	54,906	11,051	1,993	13,044	52,727	15,223	67,950
March ..	42,088	14,918	57,006	11,097	1,999	13,096	53,185	16,917	70,102
April ..	40,792	14,541	55,333	11,060	2,039	13,099	51,852	16,580	68,432
May ..	41,041	14,357	55,398	11,040	2,019	13,059	52,081	16,376	68,457
June ..	39,012	13,883	52,895	10,531	2,024	12,555	49,543	15,907	65,450
<u>1940-41 -</u>									
July ..	37,987	13,956	51,943	10,187	2,069	12,256	48,174	16,025	64,199
August ..	38,402	13,898	52,300	9,881	2,078	11,959	48,283	15,976	64,259
September	39,204	14,624	53,828	9,878	2,116	11,994	49,082	16,740	65,822
October..	39,807	13,996	53,803	9,977	2,099	12,076	49,784	16,095	65,879
November									
December									

NOTES.

1. For each month of 1938-39 the figures in the table may be regarded as providing a virtually complete record of total employment based on final collected figures. They are a combination of monthly figures received currently and annually, covering both private and public employment. They are deficient only to the inappreciable extent that some relief and other intermittent workers and domestic workers in private homes are not covered by the monthly returns. On the other hand, to the extent that they embrace the majority of workers subject to intermittent employment over the whole year, they reflect fully the seasonal and all other influences upon employment in Tasmania.

2. For the months since June, 1939, the figures are estimates based upon the current monthly movements of all public authority employment and of about 44 per cent. of total private employment. For a given month the figure of total private employment of the corresponding month of the previous year is changed in the ratio of the change of the current figure of private employment. The indication of the position for all employment in Tasmania given by this technical procedure must be read in the light of other indications of current change.

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## TABLE T.II.

**NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-  
GOVERNMENT BODIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES.  
(EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).**

Month	Commonwealth			State			Semi-Government			Local Government			Total			Private Contract		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1938-39..	1,382	344	1,726	5,992	1,421	7,413	818	37	855	2,066	71	2,137	10,258	1,873	12,131	590	1	591
1939-40	1,492	398	1,890	6,216	1,449	7,665	978	47	1,025	1,956	78	2,034	10,642	1,972	12,614	505	-	505
1939 -																		
May ..	1,417	350	1,767	5,970	1,451	7,421	714	39	753	2,096	71	2,167	10,197	1,911	12,108	605	1	606
June ..	1,402	366	1,768	5,782	1,449	7,231	692	37	729	2,101	73	2,174	9,977	1,925	11,902	580	1	581
July ..	1,439	374	1,813	5,739	1,458	7,197	724	41	765	1,984	75	2,059	9,886	1,948	11,834	592	1	593
August ..	1,444	375	1,819	5,878	1,467	7,345	801	42	843	1,997	74	2,071	10,120	1,958	12,078	496	1	497
September	1,450	377	1,827	5,950	1,458	7,408	814	39	853	2,069	76	2,145	10,283	1,950	12,233	548	1	549
October..	1,444	383	1,827	6,230	1,452	7,682	795	39	834	2,083	74	2,157	10,552	1,948	12,500	534	-	534
November	1,446	401	1,847	6,279	1,443	7,722	854	41	895	2,011	78	2,089	10,590	1,963	12,553	529	1	530
December	1,480	399	1,879	6,530	1,439	7,969	874	41	915	2,010	77	2,087	10,894	1,956	12,850	493	1	494
1940 -																		
May ..	1,561	407	1,968	6,278	1,469	7,747	1,220	63	1,283	1,949	80	2,029	11,008	2,019	13,027	454	-	454
June ..	1,525	402	1,927	5,921	1,477	7,398	1,120	63	1,183	1,924	82	2,006	10,490	2,024	12,514	480	-	480
July ..	1,479	410	1,889	5,538	1,490	7,028	1,286	72	1,358	1,884	97	1,981	10,187	2,069	12,256	480	(a)	480(b)
August ..	1,444	417	1,861	5,344	1,495	6,839	1,236	68	1,304	1,857	98	1,955	9,881	2,078	11,959	480	(a)	480(b)
September	1,470	425	1,895	5,226	1,501	6,727	1,389	74	1,463	1,793	116	1,909	9,878	2,116	11,994	480	(a)	480(b)
October..	1,549	434	1,983	5,358	1,487	6,845	1,286	68	1,354	1,784	110	1,894	9,977	2,099	12,076	480	(a)	480(b)
November																		
December																		

(a) Not available. (b) Subject to revision.

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TABLE T.III.

PERSONS REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED AT STATE  
LABOUR EXCHANGES, 1939-40.

Month	Hobart	Launceston	Rural	Total
1939-40	366	247	618	1,231
<u>1939 -</u>				
July ..	673	410	1,232	2,315
August ..	692	352	1,325	2,369
September	590	369	1,089	2,048
October..	494	314	795	1,603
November	394	234	651	1,279
December	327	247	445	1,019
<u>1940 -</u>				
January..	171	189	323	683
February	217	161	311	689
March ..	190	155	342	687
April ..	209	162	335	706
May ..	205	204	306	715
June ..	231	164	261	656
July ..	284	152	296	732
August ..	269	148	301	718
September	217	121	232	570
October..	196	129	n.a.	n.a.
November				
December	141			

n.a. Not Available.

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## TABLE T.IV.

UNEMPLOYMENT REGISTRATIONS ON LIVE REGISTER AT END OF QUARTER, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING  
TO GENERAL NATURE OF TRADE OR OCCUPATION.

General Nature of Trade or Occupation	1939		1940			
	July-September	October-December	January-March	April-June	July-September	October-December
I. Wood, Furniture, Sawmill, Timber workers, etc... ..	6	5	1	1	2	
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.(a)	15	12	6	11	6	
III. Food, Drink and Tobacco Manufactures	8	6	4	4	2	
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, etc. ..	14	8	9	6	5	
V. Books, Printing, Binding, etc. ..	-	-	-	-	1	
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	3	3	2	-	1	
VII. Building .. ..	28	11	16	13	13	
VIII. Mining .. ..	12	9	4	7	1	
IX. Rail and Tram Services (b) ..	-	-	-	-	-	
X. Other Land Transport ..	17	13	11	10	7	
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc. ..	9	6	5	3	4	
XII. Agricultural, Pastoral, Rural, etc.(c)	6	5	5	6	6	
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. ..	10	9	4	5	4	
XIV. General Labourers and Miscellaneous(d)	1,920	932	620	590	518	
<u>Total:</u>	2,048	1,019	687	656	570	

(a) Including railway and tramway workshops.

(b) Excluding railway and tramway workshops, but including construction and  
maintenance of permanent way and works.

(c) Including Horticulture and Viticulture.

(d) Excluding railway and tramway employees and labourers employed on railway  
and tramway construction and maintenance.



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AUSTRALIA.

TABLE A.I. ESTIMATED TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, ALL STATES.

This table brings together the estimates of total wage or salary earners in employment in each State as shown in Tables N.I., V.I., Q.I. (modified), S.I., W.I., and T.I.

The methods of estimation used for New South Wales and Tasmania are practically identical, information about private employment in both States being given fairly comprehensively in wage tax returns.

The estimates for Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia are based on the total of wage or salary earners (full and part-time) recorded as actually employed at the date of the Census of 1933. It has been assumed that since then total employment has fluctuated in the same directions, though not quite in the same degree, as fluctuations in that part of total employment which can be currently "measured", either by actual counting or by estimation from "sample" data.

Assumptions about the relative degree of fluctuation in the "measured" and "unmeasured" fields of employment must necessarily be based on a general assessment of probabilities. The nature and long-term trend of the more important elements in the field which is currently "unmeasured" (but which, nevertheless, has been recorded in some detail at the Censuses of 1911, 1921 and 1933) suggest the desirability for this purpose of distinguishing between that part of the "unmeasured" field of employment which is relatively elastic, and that part which is relatively inelastic. For the period subsequent to the 1933 Census, therefore, the inelastic part has been assumed (partly as a technical device) to have remained completely constant in Victoria and South Australia, while the elastic part of this field has been assumed to have fluctuated in those two States, proportionately with fluctuations in the elastic elements in the measured field. In Western Australia it has been assumed that the development of the gold mining industry has given about as much elasticity to the "unmeasured" field as has been experienced by most of the "measured".

The validity of these assumptions is naturally open to some doubt, particularly in respect of periods for which only "sample" factory and retail shop employment data are available. The following table summarises the position for a recent year:

Employment Fields	Victoria		South Australia		Western Australia	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>A. Measured -</b>						
Governmental employment	97,177	15.9	31,952	17.1	28,145	17.6
Factory employment ..	193,854	31.7	42,018	22.5	22,090	13.8
Retail Shop employment	49,195	8.0	20,889	11.2	12,760	8.0
Mining employment ..	4,044	0.7	832	0.4	11,427	7.1
Rural employment ..	30,847	5.0	14,810	7.9	10,644	6.6
<b>Total measured:</b>	<b>375,117</b>	<b>61.3</b>	<b>110,501</b>	<b>59.1</b>	<b>85,066</b>	<b>53.1</b>
<b>B. Unmeasured -</b>						
Elastic elements ..	186,448	30.5	59,005	31.6	75,231	46.9
Inelastic elements ..	50,520	8.2	17,347	9.3	-	-
<b>Total unmeasured:</b>	<b>236,968</b>	<b>38.7</b>	<b>76,352</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>75,231</b>	<b>46.9</b>
<b>C. Estimated Total Employment:</b>	<b>612,085</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>186,853</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>160,297</b>	<b>100.0</b>

The percentages shown in this table give some indication of the degree of reliance to be placed on the assumptions made above in respect of periods for which "final" (or recorded) factory, retail shop, mining and rural employment statistics have become available. (The figures for mining and rural employment are estimates of wage or salary earners in permanent - as distinct from casual - employment, derived from recorded figures of all persons permanently "engaged"). Until the "final" statistics do become available, however, the figures given for these elements are themselves estimates, based (in the case of factory and retail shop employment) on returns from "sample" establishments. It is also to be noted that rural employment and mining employment during current months are assumed to remain constant at the last recorded annual average, although quarterly mining statistics (as shown for Western Australia in Table V.I.) will soon be available for Victoria and South Australia.

The number of Queensland employees in work is estimated by the Queensland Bureau of Industry by totalling the number of insured employees, the estimated number of persons evading insurance, the estimated number of employees under 18 in insurable work, the estimated number of employees on salaries above limits for insurance (including exempt managers and overseers), and the estimated number of uninsurable employees in work. Whereas the monthly figures of employees in work shown in Table Q.I. represent, for each month, the average number for the three months ending in the month stated, adjusted to eliminate seasonal variations, the monthly figures shown for Queensland in Table A.I. are the estimates for the three months ending in the month stated unadjusted for seasonal variations. They are therefore comparable in the latter respect with the monthly figures for other States.

In other respects the employment estimates for Queensland are not strictly comparable with those of other States. They are based on the number of wage or salary earners in full-time (not part-time) employment recorded at the Census of 1933, adjusted by the addition of the full-time equivalent of the estimated number in part-time employment in private industry at that date, less a percentage (3.2%) of the total working population to allow for an assumed over-statement of employment by retired persons, etc., and less a percentage (14.7%) of recorded unemployment to allow for an assumed under-statement of unemployment.

The figures for New South Wales include the equivalent of part-time relief workers in actual employment on jobs provided by public authorities. The figures for Tasmania do not include the full-time equivalent of the number of workers for sustenance, which in no year since 1935-36 has exceeded an average of about 300. So far as Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia are concerned, the numbers of part-time relief workers in actual employment are, by implication from the methods used, included in the "unmeasured" field.

#### TABLE A.II. MONTHLY INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT.

Comprehensive statistics of employment in factories in each month of the year are collected at annual intervals from all factories in Australia. The tabulated results for each year ending 30th June usually become available about the following April or May. These "final" figures form the basis of the index-numbers given in this table, which are brought up to date by using information collected monthly from a number of "sample" factories in each State. (A larger "sample" is obtained for New South Wales by using data given in wage tax returns). Final figures are used wherever possible and the extent of their use is indicated in the footnote to the table. The accuracy of the estimates based on the "samples", when tested by "final" figures, has proved in the past to be reasonably satisfactory, and a comparison of the results for each State appears to indicate that the accuracy of the estimates does not bear any close relationship to the relative sizes of the "samples". The table is intended to indicate the trends in factory employment rather than to provide an exact measure of actual numbers employed.

"The "unadjusted" index gives the best measure available of the absolute changes in factory employment. In order to make some allowance for the gradual increase in the numbers seeking employment, the index is divided by an index of the numbers of the "employee population", which is arbitrarily defined for this purpose as the number of persons who described themselves as employees in the 1933 Census, adjusted to allow for subsequent deaths, migration and changes in ages. Owing to the incidence of enlistments in naval, military and air forces, and on account of persons (not formerly of the wage-earning group), who have entered employment, it will not be possible, in the coming months, to calculate the index of employee population.

#### TABLE A.IV. MONTHLY INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.

These index-numbers are not available before July, 1933. As an annual / census

consensus of employment in retail stores is not taken, there is no means of ascertaining how accurately the month to month movement of employment in reporting stores represents all employment in the retail field. Consequently these index-numbers are much less reliable than the index-numbers of employment in factories. The Australian index is an average of the State indexes weighted by the numbers of persons returned as engaged in "Commerce" in the 1933 Census. This census industry class "Commerce" comprises both wholesale and retail dealing, and it is not possible to obtain separate figures for the latter.

TABLE A.V. NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES.

This table, which is still undergoing revision and refinement, includes "temporary" and "casual" employees (other than part-time relief workers) as well as permanent officers and employees. Enlisted men in the defence forces of the Commonwealth are not included. The comprehensiveness of the figures given for "employees of contractors on construction work" has not yet been finally established. Some of these employees are included in relevant tables relating to government employment given elsewhere in the Circular:

TABLE A.VIII. QUARTERLY PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS, BY STATES.

The only continuous long-period index of variations and trends in unemployment in Australia is given by the mid-quarterly returns of unemployment furnished by reporting trade unions. The membership of the reporting unions in November, 1940 was 508,914, representing approximately 54 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions, and embracing between 20 per cent. and 25 per cent. of wage earners. The membership of the reporting unions was composed of 84 per cent. males and 16 per cent. females.

The quarterly unemployment percentages reported by the trade unions have, in the absence of any more comprehensive measure of unemployment over a long period, been frequently taken as a rough indication of the percentage of the total wage or salary earning group unemployed at any time. The trade union percentages, however, must be interpreted in the light (a) of the accuracy of individual returns, which are of necessity based on imperfect information, (b) of the variable number and the unequal and variable membership of the reporting unions in the different States, (c) of the sex composition of the reporting unions, and (d) of the degree to which membership of the reporting unions is a representative sample of the total wage or salary earning group available for employment.

The numbers shown as unemployed refer to those who were unemployed from lack of work, sickness or accident (but not because of industrial disputes) for more than three days during the week corresponding most closely to the mid-period of the middle month of the quarter. Returns are not collected from unions whose members are in permanent employment, such as railway and tramway employees, and public servants, or from unions whose members are casually employed, such as wharf labourers, shearers, etc.

A comparison of the trade union figures with those collected in the Census of 1933 suggests that, whereas the trade union percentage for Australia as a whole might afford a rough indication during intercensal years of the proportion of the total wage-earning group unemployed in the mid-month of each quarter, and therefore a rough indication of the trend of unemployment generally throughout the country, the percentages in any one State cannot be used in the same way with equal assurance, nor can the percentages for the States be used safely for interstate comparisons of general unemployment.

TABLE A.IX. QUARTERLY PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS.

The comments in the note to Table A.VIII apply generally to this table also. Trade union percentages by industrial groups are available for each State, but are not included here. In some States the "sample" representing a single industrial group may be very inadequate, and comparison between States of the movements of unemployment in the group might be misleading. Even the figures in the table here given (A.IX) should be used only for comparisons from quarter to quarter for the same industrial group, and not for comparisons between groups.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

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TABLES N.I. AND N.II. SUMMARY OF EMPLOYMENT.

The total numbers shown as employed in December include a considerable number of students, married women, etc., who are not normally wage earners but who "take a job" at Christmas time.

Government Employees include all direct employees of State, Commonwealth and semi-governmental bodies whether on loan or revenue account, but do not include relief workers. Details as to Government Employees are shown in Table N.VI.

TABLE N.III. PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE EMPLOYERS WITH TEN OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES.

This table shows by sample the trend of private employment monthly in ten major groups (subject to qualification in regard to "Building and Construction" and "Rural Industries").

The classification places each employer's return in the group corresponding to his principal activity, and includes all of his employees in that group.

Returns of these larger employers cover nearly 60 per cent. of all private employment. Tests have indicated that fluctuations in the remaining 40 per cent. of employment are very closely in accordance with those of the 60 per cent. which is recorded monthly.

The difference between "Total of foregoing" (over 10) and "Number of Persons Privately Employed" represents employees of the "smaller" employers (under 10) but include some (about 20,000) who are employed in establishments which have increased their number of employees above 10 or who fluctuate above and below 10. This course has been followed in order that the number of employees in the "over 10" group may be taken as a sample.

Notes on Numbers shown in Groups.

1. Mines and Quarries: The totals are virtually complete. Where men temporarily idle on major stoppages are included, a note is inserted.
2. Retail Trade: The numbers here shown are approximately 63 per cent. of total retail employment.
3. Wholesale Trade: The numbers here shown are estimated to be 90 per cent. of total employment in wholesale trade.
4. Total Transport includes shipping and private land transport other than railways, tramways and other Government transport.
5. Factories and Workshops represent approximately 80 per cent. of factory employment.
6. Building and Construction relate to the larger jobs only and include very little home building employment. The numbers are possibly 20 per cent. to 25 per cent. of total building employment and cannot be considered as representing trend in building employment as a whole.
7. Rural Industries: The numbers are possibly about 10 per cent. of rural employment and include considerable seasonal employment, such as shearing. They cannot be relied upon as showing trend of rural employment, but do illustrate in some degree the seasonal movement.

TABLE N.IV. FACTORY EMPLOYMENT BY CLASSES.

The total is a reliable indication of fluctuations of total factory employment. The numbers in individual groups indicate group trends, but not necessarily degree of change in groups from month to month.

The number of factories shown in the respective groups exclude some now "over 10" who were formerly under 10 and some which fluctuate above and below 10. The number of factories with 10 or more employees has not in fact decreased, although the number in the sample has decreased.

TABLE N.VI. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT.

The record of State employment is complete.

The number shown as employed directly on loan works may exclude a very few who are employed on minor State loan works. Particulars from certain of the smaller semi-governmental bodies have still to be obtained.

The number employed on State works by contractors may not be quite complete.

The number of Local Government employees is partly estimated and is complete.

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Canberra, A.C.T.

30th January, 1941.